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PREFACE

BEFORE attempting to describe the seventeenth-century MSS. in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, it is necessary to enumerate the existing catalogues. In the first place there is the series known as the *Summary Catalogue of Western Manuscripts*, edited by Mr. F. Madan, and, for the most recent volume, Dr. H. H. E. Craster. This gives, in order of acquisition, a short description of each MS. unless it has been previously described in one of the 4to catalogues (the relevant volumes of which are mentioned below under the headings Ashmole, Rawlinson, and Tanner). The great defect of the *Summary Catalogue*, from the point of view of a student outside Oxford, is the absence of a printed index. This is in course of preparation: meanwhile a full slip-index is available in the Library. The 4to catalogues give details of the contents of each volume, indicate which portions were printed at the time of their compilation,* and have full indexes.

* Dr. Craster and others have attempted to keep this record up to date by entries in the annotated library copies of these catalogues, and students should consult these annotations before assuming that a document has not been printed.

Brief notices of each collection of MSS. are contained in W. D. Macray's *Annals of the Bodleian* (2nd edition, 1890), and Dr. Craster has (since these pages were written) contributed to this series *The Western Manuscripts of the Bodleian Library*, an invaluable guide to the printed and MS. catalogues.

This guide makes no claim to be in any way exhaustive. It is only a selection, and a partial selection at that. With certain exceptions, no mention has been made of MSS. which have been printed in full, and MSS. relating to the New England States have been omitted, inasmuch as these are noted in the *Guide to the Manuscript Materials for the History of the United States to* 1783, by C. M. Andrews and F. G. Davenport, Washington, 1908. Furthermore, limitations of space have prevented the inclusion of private letters unless they are numerous, although there are some literary remains preserved, often of great interest, of nearly every individual of distinction who lived under the Stuarts. Isolated documents, too, which frequently contain valuable accounts of important events, have had to be excluded. Also many volumes of papers referring to the non-jurors have not been noticed, since they admit of no precise description. Similarly collections formed by antiquaries for the elucidation of local history have been neglected, because they almost invariably cover a longer period than the seventeenth century.

The plan of this guide has been to begin with a general account of the five large collections of seventeenth-century MSS., and then to arrange under headings separate items, dividing them into two sections, the first extending to 1660, the second covering the years 1660-1714. It is assumed that the student will read right through this guide, so no cross-references are given. An attempt has been made throughout to point out where considerable parts of a MS. have been printed. It will be seen that the most valuable materials are those relating to the Puritan Revolution, and these, although they have been carefully studied, would still yield a rich gleaning. But both before 1640 and, more especially, after 1660, there are vast stores of documents which have suffered an undeserved neglect at the hands of our historians.

It is my pleasant duty to acknowledge the assistance I have received from Professor C. H. Firth in compiling and arranging this little guide. Apart from much kind advice, I am, in common with others, much indebted to the article he contributed to the *Mariner's Mirror* in August, 1913, on "Papers relating to the Navy in the Bodleian Library." The existence of this article has enabled me to omit some of the less important naval MSS.

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ASHMOLE MSS.

This very miscellaneous assortment was collected by Elias Ashmole (1617-1692), and consists mainly of MSS. dealing with the Order of the Garter, genealogies, heraldry, local history (particularly of Berkshire), family history, horoscopes, and other papers appertaining to alchemy and astrology, and various curious pieces illustrative of English literature. Ashmole's *Memoirs* were published in 1717, but there are some papers and historical notes for the years 1633-1679 which would supplement the *Memoirs* in MS. Ashmole 1136. A catalogue of this collection, by W. H. Black, was issued in 1845, and an index, by W. D. Macray, in 1867.

CARTE MSS.

The collector of these volumes, which number about 250, was Thomas Carte (1686-1754), who borrowed many of them from Kilkenny Castle in

order to write his *Life of Ormonde* (last edition, 6 vols., 1851), and never returned them. The papers still at Kilkenny have been calendared by the Historical MSS. Commission (14th Report). Taken together, these two collections form the most important single source for Irish history in the seventeenth century after about 1640, and have been adequately used, at least for the period up to the Restoration. Carte published many papers in his *Life of Ormonde* (his *Collection of Original Letters*, 1641-1660, 2 vols., 1739, mainly relates to English history), and Lady Burghclere included some new material in her biography of Ormonde (2 vols., 1912). Sir J. T. Gilbert printed a large number of papers in his *History of the Irish Confederation* (7 vols., 1882-1891).

In addition to the Ormonde MSS. Carte secured other papers of value. Those of Lords Huntingdon and Wharton contain some good series of newsletters, some scattered letters from statesmen to Wharton, and some very interesting correspondence from English officers in Ireland in 1689-1691 (MS. Carte 79). There are also many reports to Wharton, who raised the art of electioneering to a high level, on parliamentary elections, and many accounts of proceedings in Parliament, some original, others merely extracted from the Journals. The papers of the Earl of Sandwich (MSS. Carte 73-5, 103, 223, 274; there are other Sandwich papers in MS. Rawl.

A. 468) relate mainly to naval affairs, and have been carefully employed by Mr. F. R. Harris in his Life of *Edward Montagu, First Earl of Sandwich* (2 vols., 1912). Lastly, there is the correspondence of David Nairne, under-secretary to the Stuarts in exile, extending to 1718 (MSS. Carte 180-1, 208-12, 238, 256-8). A good selection of Nairne's papers was included in Macpherson's *Original Papers* (2 vols., 1775), but little has appeared since then.

There is in the Bodleian a manuscript calendar of the Carte MSS. in seventy-five volumes made by the late Edward Edwards, 1877-1883, but it is very defective. There are two very useful Reports, with special reference to the materials for Irish history, the first by T. D. Hardy and J. S. Brewer, printed in 1864, and the second, containing extracts, by C. W. Russell and J. P. Prendergast in 1871.

CLARENDON MSS.

This collection of more than one hundred volumes is mainly composed of the papers of Edward Hyde, first Earl of Clarendon (1609-1674), and is of great importance. It is certainly the best known and the most accessible of the collections in the Bodleian. It has been calendared in three volumes, of which the first covers the years 1523-1649 (edited by O. Ogle and W. H. Bliss), the second 1649-1654, and the third 1654-1657 (both edited by W. D. Macray). The rest of the calendar has been completed

by Mr. F. J. Routledge, and is about to be printed. In addition, an excellently chosen selection of these papers up to the Restoration was printed, with the title *Clarendon State Papers*, in three folio volumes between 1767 and 1786. The important documents relating to Scotland during the years 1650-1659 have been reproduced in full in three volumes of the Scottish History Society, *Charles II. and Scotland in* 1650 (edited by S. R. Gardiner), *Scotland and the Commonwealth*, and *Scotland and the Protectorate* (edited by C. H. Firth). All three volumes, however, contain documents from other MSS. both within and without the Bodleian. For the period 1660-1667 Thomas Lister included in the third volume of his *Life of Clarendon* (1837) a considerable number of papers, many of them being despatches from English representatives abroad, while W. D. Macray edited the Council Notes for the Roxburghe Society.

The calendar apparently will include the volumes of MSS. numbered 1-93, 102-8, which contain the State papers. The other volumes comprise the family correspondence and historical narratives. Among the latter are the original "History of the Rebellion" and the "Life," which together make up the published *History of the Rebellion* (first published 1702-1704, best edition in 6 vols., edited by W. D. Macray, 1888; for a critical estimation of the History and the story of its compilation see Pro-

fessor C. H. Firth in *English Historical Review*, vol. xix.). When writing the original History Clarendon had the assistance of some accounts furnished by other Royalists. One was printed in Sir Edward Walker's *Historical Collections* (1707); Hopton's narrative of the war in the West of England has been published, with other papers, for the Somerset Record Society under the title *Bellum Civile* (1902); others are to be found in the *Clarendon State Papers* and in the *English Historical Review*.

The portion of the "Life" not incorporated into the *History*, together with the "Continuation," was last printed in 1857 (2 vols.). Both parts badly need re-editing. The text of the first is corrupt, and dates and occasional connecting sentences have been added, sometimes erroneously. The text of the second is accurately preserved, but is difficult to follow, owing to the absence of marginal dates (those in the headlines are frequently wrong) and of footnotes. The appearance of the completed calendar will greatly facilitate this task.

RAWLINSON MSS.

This is an artificial collection of about 5,700 volumes formed by Richard Rawlinson (1690-1755), "abroad and at home, the choice of book-auctions, the pickings of chandlers' and grocers' waste-paper" (Macray, *Annals of the Bodleian*, 2nd edition, 233-4). Such a miscellaneous assortment cannot be generally

described, and a few of the principal items only need be here mentioned: others will be found below under the subject headings. The most important section contains the State papers of John Thurloe (1616-1668) during his secretaryship to the Council of State (MSS. Rawl. A. 1-73). This mass of correspondence is the largest and most valuable source for the history of England from about 1652 to 1660. Thomas Birch printed in 1742 a large selection of these papers in seven folio volumes (known as *Thurloe State Papers*), including a certain number which did not come to the Bodleian with the rest in 1755. Information on the Thurloe papers not in the Bodleian is given in the Preface to Professor C. H. Firth's *Last Years of the Protectorate.*

Another series contains twenty-five volumes of the naval papers of Samuel Pepys (MSS. Rawl. A. 170-195). Some of the letters have been printed in Pepys's *Memoirs and Correspondence* (edited by Lord Braybrooke, 1825), or in Pepys's *Life, Journals, and Correspondence* (edited by J. Smith, 1841. For a criticism of the latter, see Macray, *Annals*, pp. 236-7). There are also a few other letters of Pepys, both before the Restoration (MS. Carte 73, quoted by C. H. Firth in *Macmillan's Magazine* for November, 1893) and in William III.'s reign (MS. Smith 53; *cf.* MS. Smith 55 for letters to Pepys). Other Pepys papers are in MSS. Rawl. A. 464,

C. 302 and C. 859 (the last being parliamentary notes, February to June, 1677, in shorthand). The other portion of the Pepys papers, including the Diary, is in Magdalene College, Cambridge. It is to be regretted that Mr. J. R. Tanner in his *Catalogue of the Pepysian Manuscripts* (Navy Records Society) has ignored the Bodleian documents altogether.

Papers relating to the three questions proposed by James II. to all the deputy-lieutenants, etc., in 1687 and 1688 with the replies, reports from agents sent to influence elections (MS. Rawl. A. 139A), and documents relating to Monmouth's execution in 1685 (MS. Rawl. A. 139B) were printed by Sir George Duckett, the first two privately in 1882-1883 as *Penal Laws and Test Act*, the third in the *Camden Miscellany*, vol. viii. Many extracts and references to the papers of Thomas Hearne are contained in the ten volumes styled *Hearne's Collections*, 1705-1722 (Oxford Historical Society, 1884-1915).

The MSS. in this collection relating to seventeenth-century history are contained in four classes, A, B, C, D, and have been catalogued by W. D. Macray with copious indexes.

TANNER MSS.

Thomas Tanner (1674-1735) amassed about 450 volumes of MSS., of which nearly 300 originally belonged to Archbishop Sancroft. He also gained possession of a large number of official papers

relating to the Puritan Revolution which John Nalson borrowed from the custody of the Clerk of the Parliament for his *Impartial Collection*, of which only two volumes, covering the years 1639 to January, 1642, were published in 1682-1683. Other papers of Nalson are now in the hands of the Duke of Portland, and have been calendared by the Historical MSS. Commission (Portland MSS., vol. i. The Introduction contains an instructive history of these papers). Many of the documents in each collection have been printed either wholly or in part in the Lords' *Journals* or in the *MSS. of the House of Lords* (Historical MSS. Commission, Reports IV.-VI.).

The most important books including documents from the Tanner MSS. are Gutch's *Collectanea Curiosa* (2 vols., 1781), Cary's *Memorials of the Civil War for* 1646-1652 (2 vols., 1842), and Clarke's *Collection of Letters addressed to Archbishop Sancroft, temp.* Charles II. and James II. (1848). D'Oyly's *Life of Sancroft* (2nd edition, 1840) is mainly based on the Tanner MSS.

The catalogue of this collection was edited in 1860 by A. Hackman.

1603-1660

ECCLESIASTICAL

The original register of the committee for plundered ministers, appointed by Parliament in 1642, with indexes at the end of each volume (MSS. Bodley 322-9).

Tabular account of episcopal estates sold, 1647-1655, with particulars of purchasers' names, prices, and dates of conveyance (MSS. Rawl. B. 239-240).

Material collected by John Walker for his *Account of the Numbers and Sufferings of the Clergy of the Church of England*, 1714. [Cf. *Dr. John Walker and the Sufferings of the Clergy*, by G. B. Tatham, Cambridge, 1911, which includes, in addition to a critical appreciation, a calendar of the Walker collection.] (MSS. J. Walker, C. 1-7.)

FOREIGN RELATIONS

Journal of conferences to arrange peace between England and Spain at Somerset House, May to August, 1604. MS. Rawl. C. 688. [Cf. Watson, *Philip*, iii., edited 1808, ii. 499-618; and Gardiner, *History of England*, i. 208.]

A relation of the Spanish marriage negotiations, 1611-1623, by Sir Francis Cottington (MS. Perrott 4).

Copy-book of the correspondence (in Spanish) of

Cottington and Hyde, while ambassadors in Spain, with Spanish ministers, Oct. 1649-Jan. 1651 (MS. Rawl. C. 726).

Journal of proceedings of St. John and Strickland, ambassadors of the Commonwealth at The Hague, March-June, 1651 (MS. Rawl. C. 129).

Copies of Latin letters sent by Cromwell to foreign princes, Feb. 1654-Oct. 1655, and others in English and Latin, Feb. 1654-Nov. 1655 (MSS. Rawl. A. 260, 261). [Cf. D. Masson, *Life of Milton*.]

IRELAND

Correspondence, etc., of Sir John Davies, Irish attorney-general, 1603-18 (MSS. Carte 61-2).

Copies of the Journals of the Irish Parliaments of 1613, 1615, 1634, 1639, 1640, 1641, 1647, 1661, 1665 (MS. Carte 64).

Copies of letters of Henry Cary, lord Falkland, as lord deputy 1622-4 (MS. Rawl. C. 439).

MILITARY AND NAVAL

Accounts of Sir Allen Apsley and Sir Sampson Darell for victualling the navy in 1625 (MS. Rawl. A. 456).

Four separate accounts of the expedition to the isle of Rhé in 1627 (MSS. Rawl. B. 480, Rawl. D. 117 and 302, Ashmole 824).

Orders and instructions of Northumberland, lord high admiral, 14 Nov. 1640 (MS. Rawl. C. 679).

Book of orders from the parliamentarian navy committee to Sir Henry Vane, treasurer of the navy, 9 Aug. 1642-19 Dec. 1643 (MS. Rawl. A. 220).

Orders of the parliamentarian committee of the admiralty and navy, 8 March 1643-13 June 1644 (MSS. Rawl. A. 221-222).

Copy-book of the orders issued by the parliamentary committee for executing the office of lord high admiral, 19 April-29-Sept. 1645 (MS. Rawl. C. 416).

Orders of the navy committee from 15 Jan. to 4 Oct. 1649 (MS. Rawl. A. 224).

Orders of the committee of the council of state for the admiralty and navy, 21 Oct. 1650-25 Nov. 1652 (MSS. Rawl. A. 225-226).

Minute-book of letters, orders, etc., received by navy commissioners, Oct. 1650 to June 1653 (with memoranda of proceedings to April 1651) (MS. Rawl. A. 207).

Copybook of letters of admiralty committee 17 Dec. 1652-19 Aug. 1653 (MS. Rawl. A. 227).

Navy estimates from 7 Oct. 1642 to 21 Dec. 1654. with lists of the fleet in 1643-1645 (MS. Rawl. A. 223).

List of war materials issued out of the ordnance in London 4 April-2 May 1645 (MS. Add. C. 247).

Letters and papers relating to naval engagements between the English and Dutch, May, September, 1652 (MS. Tanner 53).

Account-book of money issued by John Blackwell and Richard Deane for the army and navy, Nov. 1653-Jan. 1655 (MS. Rawl. A. 208).

Copy-book of letters and orders of Thomas Whetstone, commanding a squadron in the Mediterranean, acting with France against Spain, 29 June-Aug. 1658 (MS. Rawl. C. 381).

Letter-book of Henry Bradshaw, a parliamentarian officer, 1648-1660 (MS. Top. Cheshire e. 3).

Two letters from M[atthew] S[mallwood] on battles of Edgehill and Brentford (MS. Ashmole 830, fos. 292-3; printed in *English Historical Review*, vol. xxxvi.).

Letters on the Civil War (including some of John Hampden) (MS. Carte 103).

Civil war despatches (including some of Fairfax) (MS. Fairfax 32).

Transcripts of papers of Prince Rupert, some now in private hands, others in the British Museum. Many printed in Warburton's *Memoirs of Prince Rupert* (MSS. Firth C. 6-8).

A history of the Civil War by a parliamentarian, entitled "England's memorable accidents," 1640-Jan. 1644 (MS. Rawl. D. 141).

Copies of letters relating to the Civil War, chiefly in the west in 1644-1645 (MS. Rawl. C. 125).

Copy of Byron's account of his defence of Chester in 1645-1646 (MS. Rawl. B. 210, fo. 54).

Account of the surprise of Pontefract Castle by Morris, June 1648 (MS. Rawl. B. 453).

Collection of papers about the military history of Oxford, 1643-1646 (MS. Add. D. 114).

PARLIAMENT

Notes of speeches made in the Commons concerning proposed union of England and Scotland (MS. Rawl. A. 123).

Notes of speeches, accounts of proceedings, etc., of the Parliaments of 1621 and 1624 (MSS. Rawl. D. 1098, 1100, 998, and 999).

Three separate accounts of proceedings, March-June 1628 (MSS. Add. C. 186-7 [the first is described in *Archæologia* (1869), vol. xlii.], and MS. Rawl. A. 105).

Reports of speeches in Parliament in 1640 (MSS. Ashmole 768, 795).

Notes, in pencil, of proceedings and debates in the Commons, Nov. 1640 (MS. Rawl. C. 956).

Notes of proceedings and debates in the Commons 22 May-8 Aug. 1641 (MS. Rawl. D. 1099).

Memoranda of proceedings in the Commons 4 Nov.-18 Dec. 1641 (MS. Rawl. D. 932).

MISCELLANEOUS

Letters of James I. before and after his accession in 1603 (MS. Ashmole 1729).

Letters relating to the company of adventurers

for the settlement of Virginia (MS. Ashmole 1147).

Copies of letters and orders of the lord high treasurer to customs officials of London, 1605-1618 (MS. Perrott 2).

Note on the State Paper Office by Sir Thomas Wilson, 5 Apr. 1613 (MS. Ashmole 826, fos. 144-145).

Eleven letters from Frederick, Elector Palatine, 1619-1626 (MSS. Tanner 72-4).

Instructions from Charles I. to Wentworth and the other members of the Council of the North with their commission (MS. Rawl. C. 197).

Short notes of proceedings in the Star Chamber against Bedford and others and against Leighton, 4 June 1630 (MS. Rawl. C. 839).

Reports of cases tried in the Star Chamber and in the High Commission, April-June 1632 (MS. Rawl. A. 128).

Original register book of proceedings in the Star Chamber May 1636-June 1638 (MS. Rawl. C. 827).

Farming account-book (with wages of labourers) of Edmund Spinckes, rector of Castor, Northants, 1646-1671 (MS. Rawl. D. 799).

Correspondence of Sir Robert Long, secretary of state to Charles II. during his exile (MS. Carte 130).

The manner of conveying the corpse of Oliver Cromwell from Whitehall to Somerset House (MS. Rawl. C. 210, fo. 39).

Proceedings of the council of state, 7 June-20 Oct. 1659 (MS. Rawl. A. 134).

Minute-book of the council of state, 19 May-10 Aug. 1659 (MS. Rawl. C. 179).

Copies of warrants, etc., of the council of state, 21 May-21 Oct. 1659, and of committee of safety, 1 Nov.-20 Dec. 1659 (MS. Rawl. A. 259).

Letters from members of Parliament, etc., about restoration of the Rump, May 1659 (MS. Tanner 48).

Copies of orders, etc., issued for the recovery of the goods of Charles I. and his queen sold during the "usurpation," July 1662-Nov. 1664 (MS. Rawl. A. 111).

1660 - 1714

COLONIAL

"Collections about Barbadoes, out of the papers of Sir R[ichard] D[utton]," by Dr. Thomas Smith (MS. Smith 103).

Collection of papers chiefly relating to Jamaica (MS. Rawl. A. 312).

Copies of papers relating to Jamaica, 1661-1664 (MS. Rawl. A. 347).

Account of goods exported to England from Jamaica, 1686-1712 (with omissions), and from Barbadoes, 1697-1700, 1704-1708 (MS. Rawl. B. 250).

"An exact narrative of the state of Guiana and of the English colony in Surinam in the beginning of the war with the Dutch," by William Byam (MS. Ashmole, 842, fos. 109-121).

Miscellaneous papers relating to the Old and the New East India Companies, Charles II. to Anne (MSS. Rawl. D. 747, A. 302-303).

Minute-book of the committee for establishing a new East India Company, Oct. 1691-March 1692. Oct.-Dec. 1692 (MS. Rawl. C. 449).

ECCLESIASTICAL

Subscriptions of 300 to 400 clergy to the oaths prescribed by the Act of Uniformity taken before the Bishop of London, 1662-1663 (MS. Rawl. B. 375).

Papers about a conventicle at Twyford, 1670 (MS. Top. Norfolk C. 2).

List of licences to preach to nonconformists, 1672 (MS. Jones 22).

Letter-book of Gilbert Sheldon, archbishop of Canterbury, Oct. 1664-June 1669 (MS. Add. C. 308).

Collection of papers chiefly owned by and written to Sheldon, 1585-1724 (MSS. Add. C. 302-3, 304A, 304B, 305-7).

Letters, receipts, accounts, etc., connected with the rebuilding of St. Paul's Cathedral (MS. Tanner 145).

Original minute-book of the proceedings of the Ecclesiastical Commission, written by W. Bridgeman, Aug. 1686-Sept. 1688 (MS. Rawl. D. 365).

Letters and papers relating to the trial of the Seven Bishops (MS. Tanner 28).

Notes for a history of the transactions in convocation in 1701 (MS. Add. A. 85).

FINANCIAL

Docquet-book of grants of offices, lands, pensions, etc., made by Charles II. from June 1660 to Oct. 1661 (MS. Rawl. A. 119).

Account of the revenue from the excise, 1662-1737 (MS. Rawl. A. 339).

Copies of the public accounts of England from 1679 to 1708, with other fees, estimates, etc. [used by W. A. Shaw in his Calendar of the Treasury Papers] (MSS. Eng. Hist. b. 4-111).

Receipt-book for payments out of the secret service money by William Jephson, April 1689-June 1691 (MS. Rawl. A. 306).

FOREIGN RELATIONS

Copies of credentials of envoys, letters of compliment, etc., from Charles II. to foreign princes, 1662-1680, with copies (at the end) of similar letters of Charles II. and James II. from foreign royal families, 1667-1688 (MS. Rawl. C. 172).

Copies of the correspondence of Charles II., etc., with foreign kings, etc., 1674-1684, with copies (at the end) of letters of Henry Coventry as secretary of state, 1674-1682 (all in French) (MS. Rawl. A. 268).

Copies of the correspondence of Charles II. and James II. with foreign princes, 1683-1688, with copies of Sunderland's letters to English ambassadors abroad (MS. Rawl. A. 266).

Copies of instructions, credentials, despatches, etc., of English envoys at foreign courts, 1664-1686 (MSS. Rawl. A. 255-257).

Copies of the despatches of Sir Gilbert Talbot,

envoy to Denmark, to English ministers, Sept. 1664-Dec. 1665 (MS. Rawl. A. 252).

Notes of the embassies of Sir Peter Wyche to Moscow and to Warsaw, 1669-1670 (MS. Rawl. C. 233).

Copies of letters from Sir Joseph Williamson to English ambassadors at Nimeguen, Dec. 1675-Feb. 1679 (MSS. Rawl. A. 352-353).

Correspondence of Williamson to English ambassadors at Nimeguen, Sept. 1677-Feb. 1679 (MSS. Firth, b. $\frac{1}{1-2}$).

Copies of despatches of Berkeley, Temple, and Jenkins, from Nimeguen, Jan.-June 1677 (MS. Clarendon 110).

Copies (in French) by Sir Gabriel Sylvius of his despatches to secretaries of state from Zell, Hanover, etc., with copies of replies from Sunderland and Jenkins, May-Sept. 1680 (MS. Rawl. C. 727).

Copy-book of despatches (in French) of Sir Gabriel Sylvius, ambassador in Denmark, to Middleton and others, June 1685-June 1689 (MSS. Rawl. C. 417, and A. 480).

Papers of Sir Gabriel Sylvius during his embassy in Denmark, 1685-1689 (MS. Rawl. D. 749).

Miscellaneous papers relating to foreign affairs, 1686-1702, including some of G. Stepney from Saxony in 1694 (MS. Rawl. A. 326).

Diary kept by Sir William Norris, ambassador

from England to the Great Mogul, 1699-1701 (MSS. Rawl. C. 912-913).

Copies of letters from John Robinson, bishop of Bristol, during the negotiations at Utrecht, 1711-1714, and from Strafford, joint plenipotentiaries. Also letters to them from Bolingbroke, Matthew Prior, Shrewsbury, etc. (MSS. Rawl. A. 285-286).

Letters, memorials, etc., addressed to Robinson with relation to the negotiations at Utrecht (MSS. Rawl. C. 391-392).

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